

KANNAPOLIS NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT IS AUGUST 2



The City of Kannapolis invites everyone – especially neighborhood associations, community groups and homeowner associations – to join the Kannapolis Police Department from 5 – 7 p.m., Tuesday, August 2, to celebrate National Night Out. The event will be held at Veterans Park, located at 119 N. Main Street, and is free to the Kannapolis community.

We will celebrate with free food, free school supplies, live music, children's games and

much more. Our police and fire department staff, as well as other community partners, look forward to meeting and interacting with everyone.

Our firefighters and police officers are holding a new winter coat drive for children in grades K-12 in our community. Please bring new coats to the event and your name will be placed into a drawing for a great prize.

Non-profit organizations will also be on hand if you need information about community services or if you would like to learn more about volunteering with an organization.

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes a true sense of community and provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. The goal of National Night Out is to have police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safe and caring places to live.

For more information or to participate in the event, contact Sherry Gordon at sgordon@kannapolisnc.gov or 704-920-4332.



CITY OF KANNAPOLIS OFFERS FLAG FOOTBALL

The City of Kannapolis Parks and Recreation Department has opened registration for Flag Football for children ages 5 to 14. Registration will close on July 31.

The registration fee is \$40 for Kannapolis residents and \$60 for non-residents, which includes the cost of uniforms, practices and games. Scholarships and sponsorships are available.

Practices begin August 22 and games will start September 10. The season will end October 29. Games and practices will be held primarily at Safrir Park.

Visit kannapolisnc.gov or call Parks and Recreation at 704-920-4343 to register, apply for a scholarship, and sign up to be a coach or sponsor.

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PROJECTS UNDERWAY ACROSS CITY

Private development continues in the City. Several projects are under construction with others expected to begin soon. Pennant Square Townhomes, located off of S. Main Street, now has three models open and more than 40 units have presold.



Stadium Lofts is underway on West Avenue. It will have a restaurant – Towel City Tavern – on the first floor, along with the Kannapolis Cannon Ballers offices and an expanded team store. The structure will also have apartments that will overlook Atrium Health Ballpark. It should open in late 2023.

The former Swanee Theatre is being converted to a live music venue. Plans call for it to open this Fall.

Three major projects along I-85 are also moving forward. Metro 63 is being constructed on Lane Street off I-85. Trammell Crow Company is building a new 755,928-square-foot

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

- 1 **Concert in the Park & Fireworks: Charlotte Symphony** | 7 p.m. | Village Park
- 3 **Sunday Music Series: UltimaNota** | 1 p.m. | Veterans Park
- 8 **Movies in the Park: Jungle Cruise** | 8:45 p.m. | Village Park
- 10 **Movies in the Park (En Español): Jungle Cruise** | 6 p.m. | Atrium Health Ballpark
- 14 **Thursdays on Main: Jim Quick & Coastline** | 6 p.m. | Veterans Park
- 15 **Concert in the Park: Sammy Kershaw** | 7 p.m. | Village Park
- 16 **Concert in the Park: Tracy Lawrence** | 7 p.m. | Village Park
- 17 **Sunday Music Series: Crank Sinatra** | 1 p.m. | Veterans Park
- 20 **Bright Star Theatre: The Little Mermaid** | 11 a.m. | Veterans Park
- 23 **Concert in the Park: Mother's Finest** | 7 p.m. | Village Park
- 29 **Movies in the Park: Encanto** | 8:45 p.m. | Village Park
- 30 **Stories Under the Stars: Number Drummer** | 7 p.m. | Kannapolis Middle School
- 31 **Movies in the Park (En Español): Encanto** | 6 p.m. | Atrium Health Ballpark

Free Admission. No pets or smoking, please.
Concessions and food trucks available at concerts and movies. More at kannapolisnc.gov.

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Stadium Lofts



Pennant Square Townhomes

Class A facility. The facility is being built to house a wide variety of logistic firms. It should be completed by 2023.

Lakeshore Corporate Park will be built on the site of the former Intimidators stadium.

Construction will start this summer. Water and sewer infrastructure is almost complete for the Kannapolis Crossing development. Kannapolis Crossing is at Exit 65 and will include houses, restaurants, businesses, offices and more.

POLICE DEPARTMENT AWARDS PRESENTED

The Kannapolis Police Department recently held its annual police awards ceremony. Two members of the Kannapolis Police Department were honored with the most prestigious awards given by the department.

Officer Robert Carson was presented with the **Roger Dale Carter Memorial Service Award**, given in memory of Kannapolis Police Officer Carter, who died in the line of duty on December 31, 1993.



Eric Albright and Officer Carson

Robert has worked for the Kannapolis Police Department since 2013. He has served as a patrol officer and is currently a School Resource Officer and D.A.R.E. Officer. In his role as a School Resource/D.A.R.E. Officer, Robert is in six elementary schools engaging with students and teachers daily. He is also a Crisis Negotiator for the department's Special Response Team.

In addition to his professional duties, Robert is active in the community. He spends countless hours organizing outreach events such as Toys for Tots in order to help some of the most needy people in the community.

Robert and his wife, Leanne, live in Kannapolis and have three children: Jack, Chase and Emma. They attend Central Baptist Church. He is the son of Raymond and Patricia Carson.

Telecommunicator Eric Albright was awarded the **Norma C. Howard Memorial Service Award**. Norma Howard was the first female and full-time civilian police employee in Kannapolis and was instrumental in establishing the records management system.

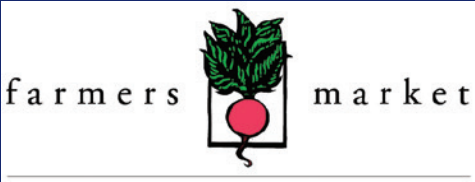
Eric is a native of Rowan County. He has completed numerous training classes at Rowan Cabarrus Community College in the areas of public and emergency services. He has been interested in the field of emergency services since he was 14 years old, which led to a career in emergency services.

Eric joined the Kannapolis Police Department in 2017 as a telecommunicator and he serves as a member of the Unmanned Aerial (Drone) Systems Unit and the Search and Rescue Team. He is also a member of the Rowan County Rescue Squad. Eric is the son of Faron Albright and the late Bonnie Albright.

KANNAPOLIS FARMERS MARKET TO FEATURE LIVE MUSIC

The Kannapolis Farmers Market will now feature live music on select nights. The market is held every Thursday, 4-7 p.m., at the corner of Vance Street and Dale Earnhardt Boulevard. The market continues through September.

Returning and new vendors offer a wide variety of fresh, local produce as well as meat, eggs, spices, crafts, and prepared foods and sauces. This year, the farmers market also has more food vendors than ever before.



While supplies last, customers can receive a free reusable tote bag when making a purchase of \$10 or more from a new vendor.

855-969-4358. You may unsubscribe at any time.

For customers' convenience, most vendors accept credit/debit cards.

Sign up for text message reminders and updates about the farmers market and vendor specials. Text MARKET to

LOCAL MUSICIANS WILL PERFORM ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

- July 7: **Chase Killough** (acoustic guitar)
- July 21: **Randall Sprinkle** (acoustic guitar)
- August 4: **Jamie Brock** (Nagara drums)
- August 18: **Bil Jones** (country)
- September 1: **Randall Sprinkle** (acoustic guitar)
- September 22: **Chad Andrew Harris** (acoustic bluegrass and folk)

CITIZENS GRADUATE FROM KANNAPOLIS FIRE ACADEMY

A number of City of Kannapolis residents have graduated from the Kannapolis Citizen Fire Academy. The academy concentrates on the services and functions of the Kannapolis Fire Department and provides citizens with a better understanding of what it takes to be a firefighter.

Citizens participating in the free 10-week fire academy toured fire stations, learned the history of fire service, fire prevention, education and investigation, emergency driving, rescue operations and more.

The academy will be held again in Spring 2023. Applications can be found at kannapolisnc.gov.



Front Row (left to right): Sandra O'Dell, Christine Drumm, Pam Overcash, Emma Greene, Gail Pieper; Back Row: Deputy Chief Kirk Beard, Diana Shipe, Russell Hoyser, Keith Overcash, Brian Most, Nick Smith, Division Chief Greg Summitt, Fire Chief Tracy Winecoff; Not pictured: Ana Contreras, Carolyn Conley, Richard Conley, Logan Norris

